

SLAUGHTER OF MOROS A BLOT ON COUNTRY

Wood's Action and Roosevelt Attitude Stir Senate and House.

WASHINGTON, March 15.—Congressman Jones, of Virginia, said in a

House to-day that notwithstanding the close relations between President Roosevelt and Gen. Wood, the President could not demand how the President could demand the killing of women and children.

The affair was a blot on this country.

"In my judgment," he continued, "reaction on the part of the command in general of our forces in the Moro province cannot be condoned or excused."

"It would only have required a week or a few weeks to have starved out the Moros, when they would have surrendered," he added.

The decision from the Secretary of War to Gen. Wood showed that they thought an explanation necessary. The dispatch from Gen. Wood he characterized as a most remarkable document.

The President's message on the subject to the Senate was received. United States troops and Moro insurgents on Sulu Islands, was read in the Senate and Senator Culberson asked whether

It was intended as a reply to the resolution recently adopted by the committee which invited a Mr. Backus to make his address at Mr. Backus replied that it could not be a reply to the resolution as it failed to cover the ground.

"What we want especially to know," he said, "is what provocation the facts were for this wholesale slaughter, if there was any. I have no doubt that the fact that none escaped, regardless of race or sex." He hoped, he said, that the facts would show that there had been extreme provocation. He regarded the affair as most regrettable.

Mr. Lodge replied that so far no need had been shown for such a view of the facts. "I have no doubt that as soon as we should have received it would be sufficient as a matter of course."

"When the facts are received," he went on, "it will be time enough to start a slaughter and massacre, if the facts justify such talk which I do not believe they will."

He then invited the speaker to the purpose of the resolution was to

the facts. "There have been em-
phatic reports and responses," he said, "and
we want copies of them."
Is there anything indicating an
alteration in the part of the Secretary
of War to supply the information," asked
Mr. Spooner. Mr. Tuberson replied
in the negative, adding that Mr. Lodge
had been under a misapprehension in
the purpose of his inquiry.

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BYRON.—EDWARD, aged 67, beloved father of Edward, Thomas and Elizabeth Byron. Funeral from his residence, 100 A. M. Voss ave., Monday, March 19, at 2 o'clock.